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In re: U.S. Patent No. 5,360,897
Issued: November 1, 1994
Inventors: Peter W. Anderson, et al.
For: Immunogenic Conjugates of Streptococcus Pneumonial Capsular Polymer and
Toxin or in Toxoid

REQUIREMENT FOR INFORMATION

This is in response to the application for patent term extension under 35 U.S.C. § 156, filed April 14, 2000 in the above-identified patent.

The requested information must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this letter. Failure to respond may result in a delay in the processing of the application. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are **NOT** permitted.

Applicant has not complied with 37 CFR 3.73(b). When an assignee seeks to take action in a patent, the assignee must establish ownership of the patent by submitting documentary evidence of the chain of title from the original owner (the inventors) to the assignee. The application papers filed April 14, 2000 only contain a copy of the assignment from Praxis Biologics to the University of Rochester and do not contain a copy of the assignment from the original inventors to Praxis, or a reference to a reel and frame number of such an assignment.

In response to this letter, applicant must provide documentary evidence of the complete chain of title from the inventors, Porter Anderson and Ronald Eby, to the University of Rochester. See 37 CFR 3.73(b) and MPEP 324. The document can be a reference to the reel and frame number of the recorded assignment or copies of the relevant assignment documents. The submission establishing ownership must be signed by a party authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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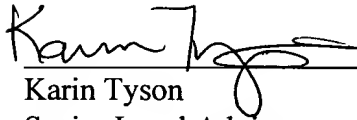
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